

**U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA)
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON VETERANS BUSINESS AFFAIRS**

CHARTER

Official Designation: Advisory Committee on Veterans Business Affairs (Committee).

Scope and Objectives: As authorized by Public Law 106-50 (Sec. 203 enacted August 17, 1999), as amended by P.L. 108-447, P.L. 109-316, P.L. 110-4, and P.L. 110-57, the Committee shall serve as an independent source of advice and policy recommendations on veterans small business issues.

Duration: The Committee shall exist through December 15, 2007.

Reporting Relationship: The Committee serves as an independent source of advice and policy recommendations to:

- the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA);
- the Associate Administrator for Veterans Business Development of the SBA;
- the Congress;
- the President; and
- other United States policymakers.

Membership: The Committee shall be composed of 15 members, of whom--

- Eight shall be veterans who are owners of small business concerns (within the meaning of the term under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632)); and
- Seven shall be representatives of veterans organizations.

Support: All necessary administrative staff services, support, facilities, and expenses will, to the extent permitted by law, be furnished by SBA's Office of Veterans Business Development.

Duties: The duties of the Committee shall be the following:

- Review, coordinate, and monitor plans and programs developed in the public and private sectors that affect the ability of small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans to obtain capital and credit and to access markets.
- Promote the collection of business information and survey data as they relate to veterans and small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans.
- Monitor and promote plans, programs, and operations of the departments and agencies of the United States that may contribute to the formation and growth of small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans.
- Develop and promote initiatives, policies, programs, and plans designed to foster small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans.

- In cooperation with the National Veterans Business Development Corporation, develop a comprehensive plan, to be updated annually, for joint public-private sector efforts to facilitate growth and development of small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans.
- Not later than 30 days after the end of each fiscal year, the Committee shall transmit to Congress and the President a report describing the activities of the Committee and any recommendations developed by the Committee for the promotion of small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans.

Costs: SBA estimates the annual operating costs associated with supporting the Committee's functions will be up to \$60,000 per year.

Meetings: The Committee shall meet at least three times per year at the call of the Chairperson or at the request of the Administrator.

Date of Termination: The Committee shall terminate its business on December 15, 2007.

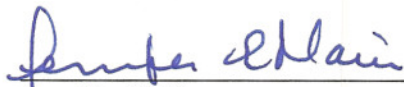
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